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Cc: LaVigne, Paul

Subject:

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I think you are right to assume that lagoon would have to pay the full WERF level 5 to get to RO. I think that Paul would agree too. We can check the WERF study is need be, but WERF level 1 is more treatment than a lagoon. So Paul, if the following level of treatment, WERF Level 1, is greater than a typical Montana lagoon, then we will use the method Tina and I are talking about. Is this following treatment more advanced than a lagoon:?

Liquid Treatment Solids Treatment Level 1

Primary Clarifier Activated Sludge Disinfection

Dechlorination Gravity Belt Thickener

Anaerobic Digestion with Cogen

Centrifugation

Conventional Activated Sludge for BOD/TSS removal

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Jeff,

I'm back in the office now so feel free to call when you have a minute to chat. I assumed that Level 1 reflected secondary treatment, which is still higher than a lagoon system b/c it assumes a mechanical plant. That's why I didn't subtract anything for lagoons. We should probably confirm the use of this line of thinking with Paul to make sure he

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Tina:

Are we assuming that Cut Bank, Philipsburg and other towns would have to basically start from scratch and pay the entire WERF 5 level, or do we go from WERF 1 to WERF 5? Right now, the first one is assumed in your spreadsheet.

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